

PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF KENT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE 2014 CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION REPORT (CAPER) FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

February 5, 2015

The CAPER is written and submitted to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) annually. Its primary purpose is to inform the citizens of Kent where federal dollars are being spent, by whom, and what that money accomplishes. It also serves as an evaluation tool, and begins the process of setting spending goals for the next year.

In accordance with 24 CFR 91, the City of Kent solicits comments and public review for its 2014 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program.

The Kent Housing and Human Services Division will conduct a public hearing on Thursday, February 19, 2015, at approximately 2:30 p.m., at the Centennial Building, 400 W. Gowe Street, Kent, WA 98032, Fourth Floor, Mountain View Conference Room, Suite 401. The purpose of this hearing is to solicit public comments prior to approval of the CAPER and submission of the report to HUD.

The CAPER is an overall review of housing and community development activities undertaken in 2014 in Kent. It is part of the Consolidated Planning process. It delineates the amount of federal funding that was distributed through the program, where that money was spent, and it assesses how that spending addressed the housing and community development goals that the City identified in its Consolidated Plan. In 2014, the CDBG program distributed \$914,731 for capital and public service projects.

The Consolidated Plan is an overall strategy for housing and community development in Kent. It is a prerequisite to receiving federal HUD funds. It guides the City in its allocation of Community Development Block Grant funds.

Written comments and/or suggestions may be made in person before the Housing and Human Services Division during the public hearing on Thursday, February 19, 2015, or mailed to Dinah Wilson, CDBG Program Coordinator, Housing

and Human Services Division, City of Kent, 220 4th Ave. S., Kent, WA 98032. Comments may also be faxed to (253) 856-6070.

Non-English speaking residents and citizens with speech, sight, or hearing impairments who wish to review the documents or comment at the public hearing should contact the Kent Housing and Human Services Division. Each request will be considered individually according to the type of assistance required, the availability of resources, and the financial ability of the City to provide accommodation. For TDD Relay Service for the Hearing Impaired, call 1-800-833-6388. For TDD Relay Service for Braille call 1-800-833-6385.

Jeff Watling, Director Kent Parks, Recreation & Community Services